

SUMMARY

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ROYAL MAIL COMPANY'S
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FROM 30TH NOVEMBER TO 31ST DECEMBER.

Friday, 30th November to 7th December.
A FIRE broke out at the Sydney Railway Station, at about 9 p.m. on Thursday, the 29th ultimo. It was soon got under by the firemen.

Myriads of caterpillars have made their unwelcome appearance in the neighbourhood of Albany, and are doing much injury to the crops.

The Rev. Mr. Thackeray's schoolhouse (St. Ethel's, West Maitland) was burned on the evening of the 29th ultimo.

The Sydney Harmonic Society (in which has been merged the Tonic Sol Fa Association) gave an opening concert, at the Masonic Hall, on the evening of the 29th of November.

His Excellency the Governor honoured the Balmian Amateur Dramatic Association by his presence at their entertainment, on behalf of the Balmian School of Arts in the hall of that institution. The entertainment took place last Wednesday week.

On the night of the 28th ultimo, several thousands of spectators were present in the Domain, to witness a pyrotechnical display got up by Mr. Scott.

The third half-yearly meeting of the Balmian Working Men's Institute, was held at the society's rooms, on Thursday, the 29th of November.

A man, named Archibald Colquhoun, unhappily fell into tank of boiling water, at Fish Water Quay, on the 12th of November, and was so severely scalded that he died on the 24th of the same month.

Letters from Bourke to the 26th ultimo state that there had been heavy rain, which the cattle had a most beneficial effect. It was heaviest on the Warrego. The creeks near Culgoose rose four feet in one night.

A man, named Woods, committed suicide at Canberrra, on the 22nd of November, by cutting his throat.

The body of a man, named George Wood, a sail-maker, was found drowned in the harbour last Sunday morning.

The match made by Mat Higgins, the celebrated pedestrian, to run against time—five and a quarter miles in half an hour—came off on Saturday last, at the Albert Ground. He ran the distance in one minute and 40 seconds over time. Having thus lost the match, attributable probably to the state of the weather, a subscription was got up in his favour.

A few days since, Nathaniel Bagwell, a young man about 21 years of age, residing on the Caledonian Road, near Lachlan, committed suicide by hanging himself to a beam in his dwelling-house.

Maher, alias Murray, convicted at the last Bathurst Assizes of murder, was executed at the gallows last Monday morning; death was instantaneous.

On the occasion of the inauguration of the statue to the memory of the late Prince Consort several excellent photographic views representing the ceremonies were taken by Mr. W. B. Russell, and sent to England for presentation to the Queen. Her Majesty accepted the photographs, and has caused her thanks to be conveyed to the photographer.

John Pettigrew, 34 years of age, whose parents reside on the Lachlan Road, was, on the 31st instant, playing alone in a yard adjoining the first residence, when she had the misfortune to fall down a well, and was drowned before assistance could be rendered.

The Aldermen elected at the recent municipal elections are Mr. Smith, Mr. Kenny, Mr. Bradfield, Mr. Chapman, and Mr. Kidman. Messrs. Steel, Sutherland, and W. B. Russell are returned unopposed. The state of the poll was declared on Monday last.

Several petitions are being signed in different parts of the country against the Matrimonial Causes (Divorce) Bill.

The Saturday half-holiday movement continues to make progress. The grocers' assistants held a meeting at Mr. Clark's Assembly Rooms, Elizabeth-street, on Tuesday evening last. There has also been a public meeting on behalf of the movement at Balmian.

Amongst the recent deaths (of which we have mentioned) we have to make special record of the following: A prisoner in Darlinghurst goal, named George Dickson, died there on Monday last, from disease of the kidneys. He was married, and his wife, Mrs. Dickson, was found drowned in a pond, in Balmian, on Tuesday last.

The band of H. M. 50th Regiment has been performing in the Outer Domain, on Thursday afternoon. The band, which has hitherto been confined to the Botanic Gardens.

Mr. P. Phillips has produced a sample of sugar cultivated and manufactured by him at North Arm, Clarence River. It appears to be of a fine quality, and low counter Mauritius, the grain being large, and of good flavour and full strength.

A violent storm swept over Wollongong and its neighbourhood on the 30th ultimo.

The Presbyterian choir in St. Stephen's Church on Tuesday last, and transacted business.

The usual monthly meeting of members of the Horticultural Society of New South Wales was held last Wednesday evening in the lecture-room of the Sydney Free Public Library. A good attendance of members. Mr. R. Henderson presided.

The Fort-street National School's annual excursion took place on Thursday last at the Clontarf Grounds, the bus being too rough to allow of the party being landed at Balmian, as at first intended. The scholars, numbering 800, embarked at the Circular Quay on board of the steamers Broadbent and Vesta, and the vessels, having landed the children, returned for the victors, of which there were about 180.

The rush to the Weddin Mountain diggings still continues. Four thousand people are on the ground, and there are fresh arrivals every hour. There are thirty public-houses, two banks, a theatre, and a number of descriptions are being erected. Every spare piece of ground is being contested, and business sites are selling at from £30 to £80 each. One hundred and eighty shafts have been bottomed on payable gold.

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Mrs. F. Lyter, professionally known as Mlle. Rosalie Durand, died suddenly on the 5th instant, of disease of the heart. Her remains were interred in the Roman Catholic Burial Ground.

On last Saturday evening, Mr. Scott afforded the public an opportunity of witnessing a fine display of fireworks. There was a large number of spectators.

On the 8th a rifle match was shot, between the non-commissioned officers of the right wing of the 50th Regiment and the same number from the right wing of the Sydney Battalion Volunteer Rifles. The volunteers scored 360 points, and their opponents 323 points.

The Bourke mail was attacked on the 7th instant, near Dubbo, by two bushrangers. Mr. Grenfell, Crown lands commissioner, resisted the robbers, by whom he was struck in the thigh, and died from the effects of the wound.

Mr. Charles Moore was, on Monday last, elected Mayor of Sydney for the ensuing year.

Harry Sais, the Chinaman, murdered Ah Wong, was executed on the morning of the 10th instant. His death was instantaneous. He protested his innocence.

Some indignation is expressed in the Western districts for the proposed extension of the telegraphic line from Tamworth to Bourke; a line via Orange being considered nearer and more direct.

Mr. Whyman, the proprietor of a very ingeniously constructed model of the Tabernacle, is now giving a series of lectures there in this city.

Anniversary services in connection with the Bourke-street Congregational Sunday-schools were held on the 10th instant. A satisfactory report was presented.

On Friday week Clarke's gang robbed the Southern mail, near Razor-back. They rifled the letter-bags and took \$4 from Mr. Watson a passenger.

The Government has received official information that a new policy, apparently very rich and of considerable extent, has been opened at Emu Creek.

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The Premier and the Colonial Treasurer left Sydney on Thursday morning, at 5.30, for Melbourne (overland), and arrived at Melbourne in the evening. They were to start for Jungfrau yesterday.

Mr. John Baptist, of Surry Hills, as is his usual custom, supplied the inmates of the Destitute Children's Asylum, now numbering nearly 700 children, with sumptuous fare for Christmas Day. Amongst the good things may be mentioned—about 6 cwt. flour, 5 cwt. vegetables, 1 cwt. prime beef and pork, together with raisins, currants, lemon syrup, biscuit, jollies, &c. It is gratifying to know that the institution continues in so healthy a state that every child in the building was able to partake and enjoy the good cheer so liberally provided for them.

The Gold Export left Armidale on Wednesday last with 600 cwt. of gold.

It is confidently reported that the newly appointed Roman Catholic Bishop of Goulburn is to be Dr. Croker, an English Benedictine, and that the Very Rev. the Vicar General, Sheehy, is to be the coadjutor Bishop of Archbishop Polding.

On Christmas Eve there was a Grand Sacred Performance at the Prince of Wales Opera House, at 8 o'clock, and about 1,000 persons were present, assisted, supported by an effective orchestra and a tolerably numerous chorus. The selections were from Mendelssohn's sublime oratorio of " Elijah," and "The Messiah," an oratorio which still maintains its popularity in the community.

A concert of the infant school took place on the same night in the infant schoolroom in Castlereagh-street. This performance was in aid of the funds of the infant school, which is a very successful institution, and a handsome gothic edifice now rapidly approaching completion.

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STATION 8
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NEW SOUTH WALES and QUEENSLAND.

**Mr. Forlonge's Magnificent Property,
together with
205,000 SHEEP.**

1,500 CATTLE,
and an Area of about
2,400,000 ACRES OF GRAZING COUNTRY.

R GOLDSDROUGH AND CO. have been
favoured with instructions from W. Forlister,
Esq., to OFFER for SALE, at their Wool
Yards, Bourke and William streets, Melbourne, on
WEDNESDAY, 19th January, 1937, at 2 o'clock p.m.,
The following

SPLENDID STATION PROPERTIES
in New South Wales and Queensland, together
with 205,000 SHEEP and 1500 CATTLE.
These estates will first be offered in two lots, as
follows, viz. —

Lot 1
THE DARLING DIVISION,
consisting of
BREMSEY,

**DELAWARE BLOOD AND
WARRENO
S T A T I O N S .**
In all fifty-one lots and containing an
estimated area of
1,499,000 acres of grazing country,
extending to a great extent of the open alluvial plains of
the great fatalland. The country is watered by belts of
timber, and abundantly watered by the Darling, Bogong
and Warrego Rivers, to which they have a total frontage of
about 400 miles.
These runs will be sold with
25,000 sheep.
The stock is in excellent condition, and including a large pro-
portion of breeding ewes.
The capabilities of this immense tract of country can
be better calculated than by any moderate estimate, it could
carry 250,000 sheep. The improvements are excellent,

comprise all requisites for efficient management.

THE LACHLAN DIVISION, consisting of **BELLINGHAMBIMB, CARRABOBILIN, BRYMEDURA, and BALDERSGEEBA STATIONS**, is all twenty-seven blocks, and contains an estimated area of about **805,840 Acres** of country, which may be divided into three classes of country, namely—

1. The Carrabobilin, being very well suited for sheep; the Carrabobilin, excellent as a breeding station; and the Brymedura and Baldersgeeba, equally valuable as summer runs and as a refuge for stock in dry seasons.

With these stations will be sold

120,000 H sheep,
1,500 Cattle,
The Bellinghambin run has a frontage to the Lachlan,

and the Willandra blocks to the Willandra Billabong, on the Willandra. This really choice country contains the finest open country in the whole of the Willandra. The country is open and the stock is unsurpassed. The Carrabubbin country has considerable frontage to the Upper Lachlan, and is abundantly watered by the Lachlan, the Murrumbidgee and the Murrumbidgee. The country is well adapted for young stock. The Brymadora and the Willandra stations adjoin each other, and include a very large area of the Willandra, rich in grass and excellent water in permanent creeks and rivers. The improvements on these stations are considered to be the best in the Willandra district.

Shedding the station need not be sold in two lots as above, they will then be offered separately, as follows:—

First,
THE DARING DISTRICT.
Lot 1.
THE UPPER WARRAGO STATIONS,
consisting of six blocks, with a frontage of 50 miles to the Willandra Billabong.

taining broad deep reaches of permanent water, miles in length. The acre is about 192,000 Acres, and they will be sold with 25,000 Sheep.

A considerable proportion of the country is really of the very choicest description, beautifully grassed, and abounding in nutritious herbage. Its capabilities cannot be estimated at less than 50,000 sheep. Improvements comprise 14 ripulatives.

Lot 2.

THE BREEMERY, BEALLIN, and
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of fair ages and included.

For more extent of first-rate pastures

country, splendidly watered by the Darling, Bogan, Warrego, and other rivers. A large proportion is covered with timber, and other most nutritious herbage, whilst a very considerable area is cultivated by the most successful farmers. They include some of the choicest portions of the Bogan and Darling districts, and the improvements erected on the land are well calculated to give a high value to the produce. In a head station, Boreeey and Belahia. These comprise all requisites, such as homesteads, wool-sheds, and other buildings, and the necessary stock. The advantages are of great extent, and insure an abundant supply of water, whilst the facilities afforded by the Darling navigation secure freight to the seaboard at almost the same rate as the coasting trade. The soil is fertile, the finest fat stock ever seen in the Melbourne yards, and the capabilities can scarcely be over-estimated, but certainly the country is well peopled, manure, depasture 300,000 sheep.

as follows:

Lot 2.
BRYMIDURA,
BALDHEADS, &
BILLAMONG, &
TEN-MILE CREEK,
together with
40,000 Sheep.
Total area, about
32,500 acres.

This country is hilly and consists of open forest, with
scattered richly grassed valleys. It is permanently and
abundantly watered by several creeks and rivers, and will
carry fully double the stock density now on it, if
drain in the driest seasons. These stations have
been occupied for many years, and are proved to be
very healthy for sheep. The improvements on Brymidura
consist of an excellent cutting machine, well stocked with
mill-tire, stove, stables, washhouse, sixteen auto-station kiosk,

hens, turkeys, geese, etc.; whilst lanes on the land
are used for the purpose of the best in the whole
of the village district, consisting of a first-class house, stores,
bathing, lawn, paddocks, twenty-five out buildings, &c.; in
all, of possible revenue for the management.
These stations are situated near Forbes and Maitland, and
are easy access to markets; whilst they are sufficiently
situated to secure abundant hunting, the country being
not only to be required for other than pastoral purposes.

Lot 4.
THE CARRABOOLIN STATION,
situated within Forbes and Condobolin, and containing an
area of about
52,500 Acres.

These stations have considerable damage to the Leichard
and also the advantages of fine back crops. They will
be sold with
20,000 Sheep.

The improvements have all been effected within the last few years, regardless of expense. There is a substantial house adapted for a gentleman's family residence, ably assisted by a capable publican, two good stone buildings, also cultivation, peaches, splendid wicket for twenty-four aches, and fitted with screw-press; three acres of corn, and a large quantity of winter supply of hay; water, over-run; and man's little, and sundry other amenities, etc. The country is estimated to carry 500 head of cattle.

No. 2.

BEILINGER COUNTRY, the WILLANDRA.
GRAIN, with
60,000 Sheep,
1,500 Cattle.
Total area, 471,840 Acres.

Beilinger-land is the head station, and the cattle are now kept on it. It will be well with the views of Mr. Goringe's famed Willandra.

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and free from disease; and the owner having incurred a large outlay in securing the best stock, purchasers have the opportunity of obtaining a more lucrative return. These stations will no doubt carry fully 150,000 sheep.

As the whole of these well-known properties are for positive sale, and on liberal terms, the customers invite inspection, and will be glad to treat with intending purchasers.

Full particulars can be ascertained and plans seen on application to the Goldsborough's wool warehouses, South-eastern Wool, Melbourne.

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